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Dear Sir:

Enclosed is form PTO-1449 listing references that are also enclosed. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the receipt of a first Office Action on the merits, and presumably no fee is required in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3). If a first Office Action on the merits was mailed before the mailing date of this Statement, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) to Deposit Account 11-1410. A duplicate copy of this Statement is enclosed for that purpose.

The Statement list documents which are not in English. DE 19525363 discloses a virtual private network within a given mobile telephone network. An apparatus connected to stationary telephone stations controls the connection and disconnection of calls between mobile telephone subscribers being assigned to a service area of the stationary telephone stations. A data bank is connected to the apparatus which comprises a subscriber data set for every mobile telephone subscriber with a first logical data set in order to register them as subscribers of the mobile telephone network. A second logical data set exists for some of these mobile telephone subscribers to register them as subscribers of a virtual private network. A data set for access to the mobile

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telephone network and a further data set exist for the data set of the subscriber within the data bank to allow a mobile telephone subscriber to have access to a virtual private network.

Bila, author of a textbook entitled "Mobile Communication and Intelligent Networks, Basics and Implementation of modern Communications," explains several services available in mobile communications networks and provides English names for these services. Further, Bila describes private virtual networks as an alternative to or extension of private networks. The virtual private networks are described for business communications and as having services such as call forwarding.

Respectfully submitted,

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